

**641—108.2 (135) Definitions.** For the purposes of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

*“Accredited medical residency training program”* means a graduate medical education program approved by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) or by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA).

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of public health.

*“Director”* means the director of the Iowa department of public health.

*“Health professional shortage areas”* means federal designations that are based on general health professional shortage area (HPSA) designation criteria, plus additional criteria and guidelines specific to each of the three types of designations from the Health Resources and Services Administration Federal Office of Shortage Designations. The three types of designations include primary care, dental and mental health.

*“In excess of the federal residency cap”* means a residency position for which no federal Medicare funding is available because the residency position is a position beyond the cap for residency positions established by the federal Balanced Budget Act of 1997, Pub. L. No. 105-33.

*“New or alternative campus accredited medical residency training program”* means a program that is accredited by a recognized entity approved for such purpose by the ACGME or the AOA with the exception that a new medical residency training program that, by reason of an insufficient period of operation is not eligible for accreditation on or before the date of submission of an application for a grant, may be deemed accredited if the ACGME or the AOA finds, after consultation with the appropriate accreditation entity, that there is reasonable assurance that the program will meet the accreditation standards of the entity prior to the date of graduation of the initial class in the program.

*“Sponsor”* means a hospital, school, or consortium located in Iowa that sponsors and maintains primary organizational and financial responsibility for a graduate medical education residency program in Iowa and is accountable to the accrediting body.